State of California • Arnold Schwarzenegger, Governor State and Consumer Services Agency

DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES

Procurement Division

February 15, 2006

RE: RFP DGS-2053 Addendum #22 TO ALL INTERESTED BIDDERS:

This addendum makes changes or corrections to the following RFP Sections:

SECTION 1

Section 1.7, pages 14-15-a. Modified KEY ACTION DATES by adding two new KEY ACTION DATES in rows 17 and 18. This caused some rows to move from page 14 to page 15 and subsection 1.8 to move to a new page, 15-a.

SECTION 4

Section 4.5.2.3, Subsection 3, page 10-a. Modified as follows: 1.) "If the Contractor does not provide a proposal within fifteen (15) business days or within *such longer* time period *as* determined by DTS/ONS and the Customer...". 2.) By ending the first sentence in subsection 3 on the 6th line after the word Service(s), removing the parentheses, and starting a new sentence as follows: "....comparable to corresponding Service(s). *To assess comparability, the State will consider* factors such as Service Level Agreements, reliability, *administrative fees, tools, reports, billing requirements, service taxes, fees, surcharges, surcredits, and contract terms and conditions,* etc."

The above synopsis is a summary; please read the entire text of each change. Changes are indicated by a horizontal or vertical line in the right margin of each page. A horizontal line indicates that text has been removed. A vertical line means text has been added or text has been changed. Please replace the RFP pages with the pages included in this addendum.

Please send any questions to me via e-mail.

Sincerely,

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KEY ACTION DATES:

All times are 5:00 PM Pacific Time unless otherwise noted.

<u>ACTION</u>	DATE/TIME
1. Release of RFP	November 8, 2004
Last Day to Submit Questions for Clarification at Bidders Conference	November 17, 2004
3. Initial Bidders Conference (see RFP Section 1.8)	December 2, 2004
Final Date to Submit Requests to Change the RFP Requirements	January 14, 2005
5. Last day to submit Letter of Intent to Bid (Superseded – see item #10 below)	January 18, 2005
Last day for State to respond to Requests to Change RFP Requirements	January 28, 2005
7. Last Day to Protest the RFP Requirements (Superseded – see item #9 below)	February 4, 2005
8. Release of Addendum #12	August 15, 2005
9. Vendor Forum (See RFP Section 1.8)	August 24, 2005
10. Last Day to Protest RFP Addendum #12 Requirements (Initial Protest) (Note: Additional time provided for Addendum 12)	September 8, 2005
11. Last day to submit new Letter of Intent to Bid, signed Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Agreement, and Financial Responsibility Information. (Pre-qualification Documentation).	September 16, 2005
12. Submission of Conceptual Proposal	October 3, 2005
13. Submission of Proposed Changes to Contract Language	October 3, 2005
14. Confidential Discussions with Individual Bidders regarding their Conceptual Proposals	October 31, 2005 – November 14, 2005
15. Last Day for State Response to Contract Language Change Requests	December 16, 2005

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<u>ACTION</u>	DATE/TIME
16. Submission of Detailed Technical Proposals	January 17, 2006
17. Submission of Proposed Changes to Addendum 18A Contract Language	March 1, 2006
18. Last Day for State Response to Addendum 18A Contract Language Change Requests	March 22, 2006
19. Confidential Discussions Regarding Detailed Technical Proposals	February 14, 2006 – March 6, 2006
20. Submission of Draft Proposals	April 3, 2006
19. Confidential Discussions regarding Draft Proposals	May 1-19, 2006
20. Submission of Final Proposals (by 5:00 PM)1	June 19, 2006
21. Demonstration (if required)2	July 17, 2006 – August 11, 2006
22. Public Cost Opening ²	August 18, 2006
23. Notification of Intent to Award (Subject to 6611 negotiations)	September 15, 2006
24. Last Day to Protest Selection ²	September 22, 2006
25. Contract Award and Execution ²	October 5, 2006

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¹ Bidders are strongly encouraged to review the Bidder's final proposal checklist; Exhibit 1-B, prior to submitting final proposals.

² These dates are subject to change dependent upon the length of time necessary for the State to complete the evaluation process (and negotiations if initiated by DGS). Bidders will be notified via e-mail of any changes. 3 DGS reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to engage in negotiations pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 6611 and the guidelines and procedures adopted in accordance therewith including, but not limited to, Administrative Order 05-01 (issued February 7, 2005) or any amendments or replacements thereto.

1.8 VENDOR FORUM AND BIDDER'S CONFERENCE

Because of the significant changes to the RFP, the state will host a **Vendor Forum** to present a brief overview of the revised RFP and the procurement process. The State may answer general procurement questions from existing and new potential Bidders or may defer answers for a later written response. Oral answers shall not be binding on the State. The State encourages all potential bidders to attend. A sign-in sheet will be provided to document attendance. This Vendor Forum will be held at:

Time: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm Date: August 24, 2005

Place: Dept of General Services

Ziggurat Auditorium

707 3rd Street

West, Sacramento, CA 95605

Information on Previous Bidder Conference:

Bidders were afforded the opportunity to meet with State personnel to discuss the content of the bid and the procurement process. Written questions received prior to the conference were answered and posted on the CALNET II homepage or answered at the conference without

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9. The IPRN and information regarding the approved IPR Service rate(s) shall be subject to the California Public Records Act.

10. Implementation of an approved IPR does not require reduction of statewide rate(s) for Service(s) subject to the IPR, pursuant to Appendix B, Model Contract Language, Section 70. However, if statewide rate(s) are reduced below the IPR rate(s) for such Service(s), the reduced statewide rate(s) shall automatically apply to the IPR.

4.5.2.2 Contract Duration IPRs

The following provisions apply to Contract Duration IPRs:

- 1. The Contractor shall be allowed to reduce one or more statewide Service prices for an Agency for the duration of the Contract. Refer to Appendix B, Model Contract Language, Section 72.
- 2. Customer may cancel any or all Services subject to the Contract Duration IPR without penalty.
- 3. The Contract Duration IPR Service rate(s) shall continue in effect from the date of IPRN approval by DTS/ONS through the remainder of the term of the Contract unless terminated earlier by Customer or DTS/ONS in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract, or if RFP Section 4.5.2.1 (10) applies.

4.5.2.3 Limited Duration IPRs

Limited Duration IPRs are only available for Module 1 and Module 2 Services. The following provisions apply to Limited Duration IPRs:

- 1. When a Customer or the State receives a formal written offer from an entity other than the Contractor for service(s) at rate(s) below that of CALNET II for a limited duration, the Contractor will be offered the opportunity to respond with an offer of a Limited Duration IPR with rate reduction(s) for such Service(s).
- 2. The term of a Limited Duration IPR shall not exceed two years, and in all cases shall not exceed the Term of the Contract.
- 3. If the Contractor does not provide a proposal within fifteen (15) business days or within such longer time period as determined by DTS/ONS and the Customer, or if DTS/ONS does not approve the Contractor's proposal, an exemption from use of the Contract for the specified Service(s) may be immediately granted if a) the Customer is a non-exempt State agency, and b) the Service(s) offered by the outside vendor are determined by the State to be essentially comparable to corresponding Service(s). To assess comparability, the State will consider factors such as Service Level Agreements, reliability, administrative fees, tools, reports, billing requirements, service taxes, fees, surcharges, surcredits, contract terms and conditions, etc. All State Customers (exempt and non-exempt) are required to follow State procurement processes to acquire services outside the Contract.

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